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BIENNIAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Regents of the Institution

FOR THE

DEAF, DUMB AND THE BLIND

AT ROMNEY, WEST VIRGINIA,

FOR THE

Two Fiscal Years Ending September 30th, 1886.

CHARLESTON
JAS B TANEY, PUBLLIC PRINTER.
1886

BOARD OF REGENTS.

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H. B. GILKESON, Esq.

Physician:

R. W. DAILEY, M. D.

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DEAF SCHOOL.

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H. CHIDESTER.

L. M. KERN.

A. D. HAYS.

ARTICULATION.

MISS A. M. GRIMM.

BLIND SCHOOL.

H. H. JOHNSON,

MRS. L. W. CAMPBELL.

MUSIC.

O. W. SCHAEFFER, WM. MOONEY, MISS N. LUCAS.

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MRS. L. W. CAMPBELL, Governess.
H. WHITE, Watchman.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

OF THE

Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

To His Excellency, E. WILLIS WILSON,

Governor of West Virginia:

The Board of Regents of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind beg leave to submit to you the following repot, with the recommendations therein contained.

We submit that the appropriations recommended and asked for by the Principal in his report should be granted by the Legislature, to-wit:

For current expenses for the year beginning Oct. 1, 1886, ..	$25,000 00
For current expenses for the year beginning Oct. 1, 1887 ..	25,000 00
For Transportation of pupils for year beginning Oct. 1, 1886.....	800 00
For Transportation of pupils for year beginning Oct. 1, 1887 ..	800 00
For insurance	475 00
For the erection of an annex	6,000 00

The amount asked for for the annual current expenses of the Institution is the same as that appropriated by the last Legislature and is actually necessary for the efficient working of the Institution.

The Board would call your attention to the recommendation for an appropriation for an annex to the main building, which is now made for the third time.

The full capacity of the present buildings is one hundred pupils. There are now present 97, and 12 more are expected. Besides these there is a large number of deaf and dumb and blind youth in the State, as will be seen from this report, who ought to be brought into the Institution, but this can not be done without additional room.

We commend this matter to the favorable consideration of Your Excellency and of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. PEERCE,
President of the Board of Regents.

Teste:
H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

REPORT OF

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OFFICE D. D. & B. INSTITUTION,
June 4, 1885.

To the Board of Regents:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Executive Committee respectfully report that they have examined the books and accounts of the officers of the Institution for the six months ending March 31, 1885, and find them correct and supported by satisfactory vouchers.

We herewith return a statement of the Institution's bank account for said six months.

JOHN T. PEERCE,
W. T. SMOOT,
Executive Committee.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

WITH THE SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANK OF MOOREFIELD,

FOR SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

Current Expense Fund.

1884.		CREDITOR	
October	4,	By requisition of this date	$ 3,000 00
October	15,	By interest allowed	2 50
November	1,	By requisition of this date	2,000 00
December	2,	By requisition of this date	1,500 00

1885.			
January	5,	By requisition of this date	3,000 00
February	20,	By requisition of this date	2,000 00
March	16,	By requisition of this date	1,500 00
			$13,002 50

DEBTOR.

		To paid drafts of Principal	$12,377 03
March	31,	Balance in bank	625 47

Insurance Fund.

1884.			
October	1,	By balance in bank	$ 38 10

DEBTOR.

1885.			
		To paid drafts of Principal	..
March	31,	Balance in bank	$ 38 10

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Current expenses	$13,002 50
Insurance	38 10
	$13,040 60

Expenditures.

Current expenses	$12,377 03	
Insurance	0 00	
		$12,337 03

Balance on Hand.

Current expenses	$ 625 47		
Insurance	38 10		
		$ 663 57	
			$13,040 60

Teste:

H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

REPORT OF

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OFFICE D. D & B. INSTITUTION,
October 14, 1885.

To the Board of Regents:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Executive Committee respectfully report that they have examined the books and accounts of the officers of the Institution for the six months ending September 30, 1885, and find them correct and supported by satisfactory vouchers.

We herewith return a statement of the Institution's bank account for said six months.

JOHN T. PEERCE,
J. L. HULL,
Executive Committee.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

WITH THE SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANK OF MOOREFIELD

FOR SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

Current Expense Fund.

CREDITOR.

1885		
March	31, By balance in bank	$ 625 47
March	31, By requisition of this date	1,500 00
April	13, By requisition of this date	1,500 00
April	27, By requisition of this date	2,000 00

1885.		
April	27, By average interest	10 53
May	26, By requisition of this date	3,000 00
June	22, By requisition of this date	2,000 00
June	30, By interest to date	9 74
September	4, By requisition to date	2,000 00
		$12,645 74

DEBTOR.

	To paid drafts of principal	10,579 32
September 30,	Balance on hand	$ 2,066 42

INSURANCE FUND

1885.		
April	1, By balance in bank	$ 38 10

DEBTOR.

	To paid out	000
September	30, Balance in bank	$ 38 10

Traveling Expense Fund.

CREDITOR.

1885.		
April	13, By requisition of this date	$ 400 00
August	1, By requisition of this date	300 00
		$ 700 00

DEBTOR.

	To paid drafts of Principal	700 00
September 30,	Balance in bank	0 00

Gas Fund.

CREDITOR

1885.		
April	13, By requisition of this date	$ 500 00
	To paid drafts of Principal	500 00
September 30,	Balance in bank	0 00

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Current expenses	$12,645 74
Insurance	38 10
Traveling expenses	700 00
Gas machine	500 00
	$13,883 84

DEBTOR.

Expenditures.

Current expenses	$10,579 32	
Insurance	0 00	
Traveling expenses	700 00	
Gas machine	500 00	
	$11,779 32	

Balance on Hand.

Current expenses	$ 2,066 42		
Insurance	38 10		
		$ 2,104 52	
			$13,883 84

Teste;

H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

REPORT OF

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OFFICE D. D. & B. INSTITUTION,
June 9, 1886

To the Board of Regents

GENTLEMEN:—Your Executive Committee respectfully report that they have exemined the books and acconnts of the officers of the Institution for the six months ending March 31, 1886, and find them correct and supported by satisfactory vouchers.

We herewith return a statement of the Institution's bank account for said six months.

JOHN T. PEERCE,
W. F. SMOOT,
Executive Committee.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

WITH THE SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANK OF MOOREFIELD

FOR SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1886.

Current Expense Fund.

1885		CREDITOR.	
October	1,	By balance in bank	$ 2,066 42
October	15,	By requisition of this date	3,100 00
December	1,	By requisition of this date	3,000 00

1886		
January	28, By requisition of this date	3,000 00
February	13, By requisition of this date	3,000 00
March	3, By requisition of this date	2,000 00
		$ 16,166 42

DEBTOR.

	To paid drafts of principal	$16,123 23
March	31, Balance on hand	$ 43 10

Insurance Fund.

1885		
October	1, By balance in bank	$ 38 10

1886 DEBTOR.

	To paid out	.....
March	31, Balance in bank	$ 38 10

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Current Expenses	$16,166 42
Insurance	38 10
	$16,204 52

Expenditures.

Current expenses	$16,123 23	
Insurance	0 00	
		$16,123 23

Balance on Hand.

Current Expenses	$ 43 19		
Insurance	38 10		
		$ 81 29	
			$16,204 52

Teste:

H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

WITH THE SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY NATIONAL BANK OF MOOREF

FOR SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

Current Expense Fund.

1886 CREDITOR.

April	1, By balance in bank	$ 43 19
April	5, By requisition	3,000 00
April	8, By requisition	2,000 00
May	10, By requisition	3,000 00
June	10, By requisition	1,500 00
July	31, By requisition	1,400 00
		$10,943 19

1885. DEBTOR

To paid drafts of principal $10,943 19

Insurance Fund.

1886. CREDITOR

April 1, By balance in bank..... $ 38 10

DEBTOR

To amount paid out..... 0 00

September 30, Balance in bank ..... $ 38 10

Traveling Expense Fund.

1886. CREDITOR

May 10, By requisition..... $ 400 00
July 31, By requisition..... 300 00

$ 700 00

DEBTOR.

To paid drafts of principal ..... $ 695 85

October 1, Balance in bank..... 4 15

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts.

Current expenses..... $ 10,943 19
Insurance 38 10
Traveling expenses of pupils..... 700 00

$ 11,681 29

Expenditures,

Current expenses..... $10,943 19
Traveling expenses of pupils..... 695 85 $11,639 04

Balances on Hand.

Insurance ..... $ 38 10
Traveling expenses ..... 4 15 $ 42 25 $11,681 29

Teste:

H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

REPORT OF PHYSICIAN.

To the President and Board of Regents:

GENTLEMEN:—While the health of the inmates of the Institution for the two years ending September 30, 1886, has been more than unusually good, I have to report the death of a young man (James P. Snodgrass), belonging to the Blind Department.

His death occurred the latter part of February, 1885, suddenly and unexpectedly, while in the school-room and in his class. There was a vain and brief struggle for breath and in a few moments he was dead.

His death may have been caused by a heart-clot or by a sudden and complete obstruction of the circulation in the pulmonary artery. Any opinion, however, on this point, must to a great extent be conjectural. He was supposed to be up to the time of his death in his usual health, which had generally been good.

It has been already stated that the health of the pupils for the last two years has been especially good; with the exception of two cases of typhoid fever (occurring at different periods). The cases of sickness mainly, as heretofore have been of the ordinary catarrhal attacks, disorders of the stomach and bowels and the temporary ailments incident to childhood, which troubles are liable to occur to some extent, even under the most favorable circumstances.

The freedom from epidemics, the absence of serious and protracted cases of disease may be fairly attributed to the abundant supply of pure water, the healthful location of the Institution and the care and attention given to the pupils during health. Under the same influences, the same satisfactory physical condition of the inmates may be reasonably hoped for in the future.

Very respectfully yours,

ROBERT W. DAILEY, M. D.

Teste:

H. B. GILKESON,

Secretary.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL.

To the President and Board of Regents of the State of West Virginia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and the Blind :

GENTLEMEN :—The report now submitted to you, under a law imposed duty, covers the two years ending September 30, 1886. It is the fifteenth and sixteenth of the history of our Institution, the eleventh in the series of reports, and is the sixth biennial report. Since entering upon my duties here as Principal, in the summer of 1874, the Institution has remained, for the most part, as then organized, few changes having taken place in its corps of officers and teachers, which changes however, have been duly noticed, from time to time, in preceding reports. And, yet, the number of pupils steadily increased, from year to year, up to the beginning of the present decade, since which time it has been more than once in excess of the capacity for proper accommodation, and this with no strenuous exertion on my part to bring pupils into the Institution. The whole number enrolled for attendance October 1, 1880, was 103; October 1, 1881, 120; October 1, 1882, 119; October 1, 1883, 114; October 1, 1884, 115; and October 1, 1885, 112. The actual average attendance in these six sessions was 98. All, whose names are enrolled, are, of course, alike expected to come at the opening of the session, or, at some time in the early part of the session. But, various causes operate every year to hinder a few from leaving their homes, if at all, not until too late to derive much benefit from the few remaining weeks of the session, so that the capacity of the buildings for accommodation has never been overtaxed, excepting when more than one hundred pupils were present, at one time, which was the case during the sessions '81-'82 and '83-84, and which as the yearly enrollment shows, threatens to be the case every year.

The enrollment and actual attendance in the past two years are fully presented in the following tables:

1884-85.

ATTENDANCE	Deaf	Blind	Total
Enrollment October 1, 1884	80	35	115
Present in this fiscal year	75	35	112
Discharged in this fiscal year	5	6	11
Present in school term ending June 6, 1885	58	32	90
Average for the term ending June 6, 1885	58	32	90
Enrollment October 1, 1885	81	31	112

1885–86.

ATTENDANCE.	Deaf.	Blind.	Total.
Enrollment October 1, 1885	81	31	112
Present in this fiscal year	79	37	116
Discharged in this fiscal year	4	4	8
Present in school term ending June 12, 1886	67	31	98
Average for the term ending June 12, 1886	65	29	94
Enrollment October 1, 1886	86	35	121

The two colored deaf mutes, Lottie J. Madison, of Pocahontas, and Albert Boggess, of Harrison, wards of this Institution and being educated at its expense, have just entered on their fifth session at the Maryland school for colored blind and deaf mutes, No. 258 Saratoga street, Baltimore. I am informed that these children have made fair progress in their studies, but that the girl has made more rapid advancement than the boy.

Since the opening of the institution in September, 1870, down to the close of the present fiscal year 230 deaf mutes and 94 blind have been regularly admitted, registered and taught as pupils, the causes of whose deafness and blindness, as nearly as can be ascertained, are given in the following table:

Causes of Deafness Assigned		*Causes of Blindness Assigned.*	
Congenital	116	Congenital	25
Scarlet fever	33	Unknown	22
Accidental	9	Accidental	8
Whooping cough	3	Scrofula	9
Typhoid fever	8	Cataract, congen	8
Inflammation of brain	3	Smallpox	3
Meningitis c. s	7	Scarlet fever	4
Diphtheria	2	Amamosis	3
Quinia	4	Strum. Ophthalmia	3
Unknown	41	Measles	2
Erysipelas	1	Typhoid fever	2
Measles	1	Granulated lids	2
Malarial fever	1	Erysipelas	1
Gathering in head	1	Psora	1
	230	Staphyloma	1
			94

THE UNEDUCATED DEAF MUTES AND BLIND IN THE STATE UNDER TWENTY-FIVE AND OVER EIGHT YEARS OF AGE JANUARY 1, 1884.

In my last biennial report abstracts were presented made from special lists obtained through the United States Census Bureau, showing by counties the number of uneducated deaf mutes and blind in West Virginia on the first of January 1884, under twenty-five and over eight years of age. These lists revealed the fact then as now, that only one-third of these two classes have as yet received the benefits for which the Institution was founded. As the report mentioned is easily obtainable and can be referred to by those desiring to do so, I will not again, at this time, occupy space by inserting an alphabetical list of our counties, with the number of deaf

and dumb and blind in each. Suffice to say, the list shows 126 deaf mutes and 98 blind persons, or 224 in all, none of whom have as yet enjoyed the elevating and humanizing iafluences of intellectual and moral instruction as pupils of the Institution.

In the two biennial reports preceding this, the subject of providing enlarged accommodations and of securing increased appropriations, in order that all these children of misfortune might share alike the State's bounty, has been fully discussed, and, in the first of these reports a plan was presented, "for the erection of an annex to the northern wing of the main building, in the rear, and at right angles to it, forty-five feet long and thirty wide; and, of the same elevation, style and construction as the wing itself." The estimated cost of this extension, including the heating, lighting, water-service, and a covered piazza ten feet wide and ninety feet long was then $5,500.00, but a careful review of the estimates shows the amount should be increased to $6.000.00, as the lowest possible estimate for the work to be done in a suitable and substantial manner. Twice, therefore, has this important matter been brought to your attention, twice has it been approved and adopted by you, twice has it been favorably recommended by the Governor to the Legislature, and twice has the Legislature not refused, but simply failed to make the appropriation, the last time for the want of funds. For the space of ten years, no appropriation has been made to this institution for the enlargement and improvement of its buildings; and the needed repairs, which are many every year, have been made out of the general appropriations for current expenses.

As the extension herein contemplated is, in my judgment of the highest importance, and since thereby the Institution would be rendered capable of receiving and accommodating some forty more pupils, and greater facility would be allowed for separating the younger and older pupils in sitting-rooms and dormitories which is always desirable—admitting, moreover, as it would, of a gradual increase, from time to time, without the fear of overcrowding.

I deem it my duty, once again, to present a matter of such obvious importance to your further favorable consideration and recommendation.

HEALTH.

Profoundly grateful to that good Providence from whom proceed health and all other blessings, it is my privilege to congratulate you upon the eminent degree of health, and remarkable exemption from disease among the officers and pupils of the Institution during the period under consideration. The remark is not unfrequently made thae many a private family requires more frequent, and more constant medical attendance than do the one hundred and twenty inmates of the Institution. One sad event, however, must be recorded, the sudden death of James P. Snodgrass, on February 27, 1885. Standing with his blind companions in the chapel, apparently in good health and spirits, receiving in common with them musical instruction from his and their teacher, suddenly he dropped to the floor in their midst, and though there was no delay in summoning medical assistance, life was doubtless instantly extinct. At all

times of exemplary deportment, of a generous and amiable disposition, his sudden and unexpected death fell with startling effect, especially upon the pupils of the Blind Department.

Previous to this event only four deaths had taken place at the Institution (of its pupils) since its foundation in 1870, and one of these was by drowning.

THE SCHOOLS.

Examinations of the pupils of both departments were held on the 27th and 28th of May, 1885, and on the 3d and 4th of June, 1886, which were conducted by gentlemen whose names are appended to the following reports, which I have taken the liberty of inserting here as a part of my report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATIONS—May 27-8, 1885.

To the President and Board of Regents of the West Virginia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

GENTLEMEN:—At the request of the principal, Maj. Covell, we had the pleasure of attending the final examination of the pupils of this Institution, which took place May 27th and 28th.

The examination was thorough and included the whole course of study gone over during the year.

The result showed that the teachers, without exception, had been earnest and faithful in their work; and that they had succeded in a good degree in their efforts to impart instruction. Commendable progress seems to have been made by almost all the pupils, and in the case of some of them it was very remarkable. We would especially notice in this connection the pupils in the department of music under the tuition of Prof. Schaffer and the primary class of blind pupils.

We regard also the printing office and the work shops connected with the Institution as indispensible adjuncts without which the objects aimed at in the establishment of the Institution itself could not be well secured. We were gratified in seeing the thorough work done both in the school and in the shops; and we are decidedly of the opinion that there ought to be, on the part of the State, a generous liberality in supplying what is needful for the maintenance of both. And, especially in the Mute Department, we would respectfully suggest to the Board the propriety of providing facilities for instruction in "Articulation and lip-reading," if there should be a sufficient number of pupils who would be benefitted by such teaching to justify it.

In regard to the general management of the Institution we would express our approbation, and we would heartily commend the Institution, under its present management, to the confidence and hearty support of the people of the State. It is doing a noble work for the State; and in doing it, Maj. Covell is beyond question the "right man in the right place."

M. W. WOODWORTH,
H. C. MCDANIEL,
G. W. FINLEY.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATION, JUNE 3 AND 4, 1886.

To the President and Members of the Board of Regents of the West Virginia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind:

The undersigned Committee of Examination, acting as such by invitation of Maj. John C. Covell, Principal, would respectfully report to your honorable body, that they on yesterday and to-day (June 3 and 4) took part in and observed the examination of the different pupils now in attendance upon said Institution at this place.

The examination in all the different classes was conducted with all the thoroughness and searching investigation that time and opportunity would afford.

All the teachers manifested an anxiety, that was commendable, to extend the examination beyond the time allowed for that purpose. The pupils, also, in each class, manifested a reluctance to have the examination brought to a close. So much were both teachers and pupils interested in having us thoroughly test their knowledge over the subjects of examination.

From the lowest class to the highest, in the Deaf Mute Department, we witnessed a steady growth and progress in the various studies there taught, both satisfactory and gratifying to us.

In the Blind Department we found a like proficiency, both in the lower and higher classes. The examination and its results in this department did credit alike to teachers and pupils. This observation may be made as to the teachers and pupils in both departments without exception.

It was especially gratifying to observe an interest amounting to affection, exhibited by the teachers and pupils for each other.

We deem it due to make special mention of the branch, or class, presided over by Miss Agnes Grimm, the articulation teacher. We do this, first, because it is a new feature in the Institution, as at present organized, and secondly, because of the impressions made upon us in attending the examination of that lady's classes.

Miss Grimm, we learn, came here as late as last November, and took charge of a number of pupils, some twenty-two, none of whom knew a solitary thing about the art of articulation, lip-reading, or, of speech, and only six of whom had ever heard at all during life.

All of these twenty-two pupils now, to a greater or less extent understand lip-reading and conversation, and articulate themselves, many of whom having made marked progress in that direction, so much so, that they can talk with each other themselves, without the intervention of their teacher.

We think Maj. Covell made a happy as well as, a wise selection, in securing Miss Grimm for the position she so ably and successfully fills. We further think that your honorable board are to be congratulated on having adopted the articulation mode of instruction, along with the other already in successful operation in the Institution.

We think the classes in music have made great progress, and can but conclude that great patience, diligence and skill have been bestowed upon them by their teachers. Indeed, to one who can note

the progress, from year to year, in this department, under its indefatigable leader, Prof. Schaeffer, the results are surprising.

We would like to mention every teacher by name, feeling that they all merit special mention in words of commendation, but to do so, would prolong this report beyond its proper limit.

Mrs. Lida Campbell, your newly appointed governess, and teacher, deserves and requires special mention, because you should know specially concerning her, and because her diligent and earnest effort to learn and properly discharge her many duties, entitle her to such mention. She came into the Institution a novice, entirely ignorant of the duties pertaining to her position, as also of the language of deaf mutes, and the wants of the blind. She has during this one session won the respect and confidence of the principal, as also, the affection of the pupils, whom she has under her charge, as governess, and the esteem and interest of the blind, a class of whom she teaches acceptably and well, in addition to a discharge of her duties as governess.

The various shops and places of industry and manufacture, are in good condition, well kept, and evidence of close attention and a due regard for the interest and welfare of the Institution by Maj. Covell. It is surprising to note the progress made by the pupils engaged in the different shops, and the excellent work turned out by them.

In conclusion, we are of the opinion, that the Institution under the management of Maj. Covell and the other officers, is in an excellent and healthy condition, that the pupils in attendance have, without exception, so far as our observation enables us to judge, made that progress in their studies, which entitles the Institution and its further developement for future usefulness to your best exertions, and to the State's fostering care and protection.

A copy teste:

C. C. WATTS,
G. W. FINLEY,
S. G. FERGUSON.

June 4, 1886.

ARTICULATION, OR, THE ORAL METHOD.

In November, 1877, was inaugurated in this Institution the first step towards the instruction of a certain number of our deaf pupils in articulation, by what is now called the oral method, in contradistinction to the sign method. At that time the visible speech symbols of Professor A. Graham Bell, was chiefly in vogue, in most of the institutions when articulation had been introduced, as the special means by which *all* deaf mutes were to acquire speech and lip-reading.

Good results, however, in the course of a few months, manifested themselves in this department of instruction, due to the energy, patience and perseverance of one teacher, and, had not bad health supervened to arrest her labors, at the beginning of her third term, in 1879, doubtless, complete success would have crowned her efforts. From this time, until November, 1885, very little attention

was paid to articulation, except in the efforts made by the regular teachers to preserve to their pupils what they had learned, when our newly appointed teacher, Miss Agnes M. Grimm, entered on her duties, and by the simple, natural method of that of an intelligent, painstaking mother with her children, without charts or symbols, but, by the exercise of great patience and loving-kindness, before the close of the session, in June, last, had so far brought forward about one-third of our deaf mutes as that most of them could readily understand and write words and sentences on the black-board, from oral dictation alone. It is earnestly to be wished that this branch of instruction has at length come to abide with us, and, indeed, practical results everywhere would warrant its continuance.

Of the sixty-four institutions for the deaf in the United States, fifty-four pursue the same methods of instruction as are here pursued. The remaining ten are pure oral schools, whose complete success must in a great measure depend upon a judicious selection of their pupils. Neverthetheless, after a controversy of a century's duration, and, which still exists, the old sign method steadily holds its own, and must ever continue to be the golden key of the treasure-house of knowledge for the majority of our deaf pupils.

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS.

The six shops comprising this school are the following, namely: a carpenter's and cabinet shop, a shoe shop, a tailor's shop, a broom shop, a mattress making and chair-caning shop, and a printing office. Over each of these shops presides an intelligent, competent foreman, whose duty it is to instruct other pupils assigned him in the special branch of handicraft belonging to his department. The shop hours are from 2 to 5 P. M., on five days of the week, or, fifteen hours per week. The girls' serving room, which is under the immediate superintendence and direction of the governess, is also of too great importance not to be favorably mentioned in this connection since in it are made all the articles of their own clothing, as well as all the underwear of the male pupils. The girls are required to work from 2 to 4 P. M., only ten hours a week. The instruction which our boys and girls receive from week to week, and year to year, in the several industrial branches mentioned, in the use of tools, and the training of the eye and hand, has hitherto, served to fit them in a greater or less degree, for self support at the close of their term of pupilage. Bearing in mind this most essential feature of their education, these industries should be fostered in the same degree, and should occupy in public estimation the same importance as the schools of the intellectual department.

The receipts from the finished work of the shops, furnished to pupils and sold to persons outside the institution, rather more than cover the cost of the materials purchased for them, but not to an extent sufficient to pay even a moiety of the wages of the foremen. But, in none of our sister institutions are the shops entirely self-sustaining, nor should this be expected of shools of instruction, which, by no means, stand in the category of manufactories established for the sole purpose of making money.

THE PREMISES.

The grounds, including the the farm and garden and the buildings, both externally and internally, are in good condition. Our mountain spring, through all vicissitudes has continued to furnish an ample supply of pure water at the Institution, whilst the town has also been well watered by the flow of surplus into its reservoir. The spring-house and line of pipes, have recently been inspected and found to be in good order. In the summer of 1885, the old boiler of the steam heating apparatus was repaired by replacing the burnt-out plates over the fire box with new ones. Again, on the 12th of February last, the same boiler ceasing to be of service by a sudden collapsing of its flues, thus reducing us to one boiler alone for all purposes. After a thorough inspection by an expert boiler-maker, it was advised to draw out nearly all of the old flues and insert new ones, which was accordingly done with as much expedition as possible, and the boiler was again in use on the 4th of March, With these repairs, this boiler is nearly as good as it was when new, and the second boiler having run parts of four winters only, is still sound at all points, thus enabling me to report the whole steam-heating apparatus in excellent working condition at this time.

The special appropriation of $500.00 obtained at the hands of the last Legislature in February, 1885, for the purchase of a new gas machine, was by no means premature, for, on the night of March 27th, just one month after the appropriation was made the old machine broke down, leaving the institution in total darkness. Communicating the facts of the case as speedily as possible to the President of the Board and Chairman of the Executive Committtee. I was advised to order the Springfield Gas Machine, which had already been under negotiation, without delay. This was accordingly done, and after an interval of just two weeks eked out with lamps and candles, the Institution was again lighted up with gas to the joy of all its inmates. The new apparatus is in complete working order and gives at all times general satisfaction.

REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS.

The amount of appropriation for current expenses for the fiscal year beginning on the first of October, 1886, and for the fiscal year beginning on the first of October, 1887, should be the same as that required for the past two years, viz: $25,000.00 per annum. This is based on the average attendance of pupils, which is 100 per session, and as many as the present buildings will accommodate. A less appropriation will only serve to impair and greatly cripple the usefulness of the institution. The cost is $250.00 per annum for a pupil, $20.00 ot which is, however, for the average amount of clothing for each pupil, which is advanced and charged to the respective counties. The actual cost, then, deducting the item of clothing, is only $230.00 per annum, to cover the cost of board, official care and attendance, tuition in the school, instruction in the shops, washing, fuel, lights, medical attendance, etc., as to which I challenge a comparison with any dual institution in the land.

The fund for the transportation of pupils to and from the Institution, never yet having proved sufficient, should be increased from $700.00 to $800.00 per annum, which would be an average of only $8.00 per pupil to go home at the end of the term and return to school in the fall, covering an average distance of about 400 miles per pupil.

Resume of Appropriations.

CURRENT EXPENSES.

For the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1886	$25,000 00
For the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1887	25,000 00

TRANSPORTATION FUND.

For the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1886	$800 00
For the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1887	800 00

INSURANCE FUND.

To renew insurance on buildings, &c., in April, 1887	$475 00

BUILDING FUND.

For the erection of annex to main building	$6,000 00

CONCLUSION.

It is my pleasant privilege to bear testimony to the fidelity and industry of the officers and teachers of the institution in the discharge of their responsible duties, and to the courtesy and harmony that have at all times prevailed among them in their co-operation with the principal in promoting the improvement and welfare of the pupils,—and to commend the pupils themselves for their general good deportment and docility.

And, to you, gentlemen of the Board of Regents, I desire to express my thanks for the favor and confidence shown me in the discharge of the many duties and responspilities of the past two years, and congratulate you upon the present prosperous condition of the Institution in all its departments.

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

Oct. 1, 1886.

Teste: H. B. GILKESON,
Secretary.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Our thanks are tendered to the officials of the Baltimore and Ohio and Chesapeake and Ohio railways for the kindly assistance rendered our pupils at all times when traveling to and from the Institution.

The following papers and periodicals have been sent gratuitously, or, as exchanges during the past two years, for which we would ten-

der the thanks of the Institution to the publishers, and solicit the continuance of their favors:

NAME.	PLACE.	STATE.
South Branch Intelligencer	Romney, Hampshire county.	West Virginia
Hampshire Review	Romney, Hampshire county	" "
Spirit of Jefferson	Charlestown, Jefferson county	" "
State Journal	Parkersburg	" "
Statesman	Martinsburg	" "
Preston County Journal	Kingwood	" "
West Virginia Tribune	Keyser	" "
Mountain Echo	Keyser	" "
The Banner	Buchannon	" "
The Sentinel	Grafton	" "
The Eagle	Grafton	" "
The Standard	Grafton	" "
Kanawha Gazette	Charleston	" "
The Express	Moorefield, Hardy county	" "
The Examiner	Moorefield, Hardy county	" "
The Herald	Piedmont, Mineral county	" "
The Tucker County Pioneer	St. George.	" "
The Messenger	New Martinsville	" "
The Clay County Star	Clay C. H	" "
The School Journal	Morgantown	" "
Church News	Parkersburg	" "
Telegram	Clarksburg	" "
Scientific American	New York City	New York.
The Annals	Washington	Dist Columbia.
Seminarian	Theological Seminary, Alexandria	Virginia.
The Independent	Scotidale	Pennsylvania
Mutes Journal	Institution for the Deaf, New York City	New York.
The Advance	Institution for the Deaf, Jacksonville,	Illinois.
The Ranger	Institution for the Deaf, Austin	Texas.
The Deaf Mute	Institution for the Deaf, Danville	Kentucky.
The Mirror	Institution for the Deaf, Flint	Michigan.
The Journal	Institution for the Deaf, Omaha	Nebraska
The Star	Institution for the Deaf, Olathe	Kansas.
The Index	Institution for the Deaf, Colorado Springs	Colorado.
The Hawk-Eye	Institution for the Deaf, Council Bluffs	Iowa.
The Chronicle	Institution for the Deaf, Columbus	Ohio.
The Times	Institution for the Deaf, Delaware	Wisconsin.
The Observer.	Institution for the Deaf, Knoxville,	Tennessee
The Bulletin	Institution for the Deaf, Frederick City	Maryland.
The Record	Institution for the Deaf, Fulton	Missouri.
The Optic	Institution for the Deaf, Little Rock	Arkansas.
The Register	Institution for the Deaf, Rome	New York.
Our Little People	*Institution for the Deaf, Rochester*	New York.
Pacific Monthly	Institution for the Deaf, Berkeley	California.
Goodson Gazette	Institution for the Deaf and Blind, Staunton	Virginia.
Mutes Companion	Institution for the Deaf and Blind, Faribault	Minnesota.
Examiner and Review	Institution for Feeble Minded, Lincoln	Nebraska.
Silent Nation	Toronto	Canada.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FOR THE

W. VA. INSTITUTE D. D. AND B.

FOR THE

SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

Current Expense Fund.

RECEIPTS.

1884.		
October	1, To requisition	$ 3,000 00
October	15, To interest, 1st instant	2 50
November	1, To requisition	2,000 00
December	2, To requisition	1,500 00
1885.		
January	5, To requisition	3,000 00
February	20, To requisition	2,000 00
March	16, To requisition	1,500 00
		$ 13,002 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

1885.		
March	31, By drafts on bank to date	$ 12,377 03
March	31, By balance	625 47
		$ 13,002 50

ITEMS OF ORDINARY CURRENT EXPENSES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

Groceries, Provisions, &c.

Bacon	$ 320 98
Butter	277 78
Beans	8 89
Books, stationery, &c	55 33
Buckwheat flour	2 50
Coffee	120 00
Crackers	2 51
Cheese	1 68
Eggs	27 11
Fruits, apples, &c	104 35
Fresh meats	901 13
Fish, fresh and salt	3 87
Fuel	1,206 93
Freight and express	48 58
Gasolene	228 39
Hominy	5 02
Hops	2 22
Ice	45 00
Indigo	2 60
Lard	17 58
Molasses	92 18
Medicines and Drugs	43 63
Postage	8 14
Provender	71 66
Poultry	97 77
Pickles	4 50
Rice	20 57
Spices	13 52
Sugar	177 92
Sausage	5 75
Soap, potash balls	32 17
Soda	16 40
Starch	5 60
Salt	7 13
Sundries, merchandise	21 12
Tea	39 55
Traveling Expenses Regents	239 00
Vinegar	17 20
Vegetables	12 87
Wheat	488 80
	$4,778 23

Salaries and Wages.

Officers and Teachers	$3,505 00
Foreman of Shops	1,233 00
Servants	1,690 30
	$6,428 30

SPECIAL EXPENSES.

Clothing Charged to Counties.

Buttons, thread, &c	$ 28 58
Calico	24 92
Collars and ties	27 34
Cotton, brown	22 34

Cotton, bleached	8 41
Crash	7 34
Combs	1 50
Corsets	15 00
Canvas	5 01
Drilling	10 70
Flannel	16 98
Gingham	6 72
Handkerchiefs	7 50
Hose and socks	18 72
Hats and gloves	40 80
Satinette	289 36
Shoes, girls	45 95
Suspenders	12 75
Shawls	17 40
Silesia	5 40
Sundries	20 08
Satchels and trunks	12 38
Suits, boy's	5 50
Tooth brushes	6 30
	$ 657 38

Furniture.

Chamber Furniture	$ 5 08
Kitchen furniture	7 90
Table furniture	18 65
	$ 31 63

Materials and Repairs.—Special.

Blacking and brushes	$ 5 47
Glass	7 62
Hardware	17 51
Indie ink	3 03
Lumber	91 13
Oil and paints	22 53
Soap boiler	29 00
Steam repairs	10 90
Smithing	16 41
	$ 201 60

Shoe Shop.

Findings	$ 27 58
Upper leather	100 71
	$ 128 29

Printing Office.

Ink	$ 3 00
Paper	27 50
	$ 30 50

Broom and Mattress Shops.

Broom corn	$ 86 30
Cane	3 00
Handles	12 50
Tufting	06
Ticking	9 54
Twine	7 90
Wire	1 80
	$ 121 10
Grand Total	$ 12,377 03

Insurance Fund.

1884 October	1, To balance on hand	$ 38 10	$ 38 10

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

1884. RECEIPTS.

October 1, To balance in bank		$ 62 79
1885.		
March 31, To cash of shoe shop		41 30
	tailor shop	19 15
	matterss and broom shop	124 74
	printing office	13 80
	hay scales	1 50
	individuals	29 17
	sundries	20 65
	counties	1,070 89
		$ 1,383 99

1885. DISBURSEMENTS.

March 31, By cash paid as per vouchers	$ 1,573 03
balance on hand	326 96
	$ 1,383 99

Items of Account.

Books, school	$ 18 98
Books, library	61 05
Bible for blind	15 03
Balls and bats	2 00
Baskets, laundry	12 00
Beans	9 58
Butter	3 30
Brass guides and style	4 20
Barber's service, pupils	20 00
Baking powder	3 00
Boiler grate bars	16 02
Check book (500)	9 50
Cloth for table	8 44
Ceickens	10 10
Crayons	12 00
Clothing	40 75
Chamber furniture	38 00
Corn and mangoes	4 09
Christmas entertainment	23 83
Clothes wringers	33 50
Dental instruments	5 00
Door mats	3 00
Drugs and medicine	22 80
Fruit	32 63
Fixtures for range	6 40
Freight, R. R. and express	159 19

Flagging stones	4 00
Gas fixtures	5 80
Gasolene	15 10
Glass	1 21
Honey	7 75
Hardware	8 44
Ice getting	10 50
Lamps	22 00
Lime	2 40
Music	9 48
Nursing sick	9 00
Oysters and fish	13 65
Postal balance	3 38
Proceedings blind Con	7 00
Postage and paints	17 03
Paper and ink, print. off	27 00
Repairs, spring house	6 30
R. R tickets and traveling expenses pupils	96 13
Rubber stamps	3 29
Repairs brass instruments	42 06
Rupell & Bro. merchandise	55 14
Repairs wagon	9 95
Rollers, printing office	8 56
Shoe uppers	15 47
Stone steps	5 00
Sundries	7 13
Subscriptions	8 50
Sewing machine	30 00
Straw	4 50
Turkeys	19 87
Table knives	7 00
	$ 1,057 03

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

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RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

Current Expense Fund.

1885.	RECEIPTS.	
April	1, To balance on hand	$ 625 47
"	1, To requisition	1,500 00
"	13, To requisition	1,500 00
"	13, To average interest	10 53
"	27, To requisition	2,000 00
May	25, To requisition	3,000 00
June	22, To requisition	2,000 00
"	30, To average interest	9 74
September	4, To requisition	2,000 00
		$ 12,645 74

1885. DISBURSEMENTS.

September 30,	By drafts on bank	$ 10,579 32
" 30,	By requisition outstanding	2,000 00
" 30,	By balance on hand	66 42
		$ 12, 645 74

ITEMS OF ORDINARY CURRENT EXPENSES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

Groceries, Provisions, &c.

Bacon	$ 409 78
Butter	244 30
Books, stationery, &c	2 96
Crackers	3 11
Coffee	62 49
Cheese	22 63
Eggs	35 87
Fruit, apples, &c	57 66
Fresh meats	739 29
Fish	1 48
Fuel	230 01
Freight and express	23 40
Gasolene	61 47
Garden Seeds	8 69
Hominy	10 50
Hollands	16 05
Indigo	1 25
Interest on loans	49 80
Lard	2 50
Molasses and syrup	65 77
Medicines and drugs	23 87
Medals	35 63
Postage	49 38
Poultry	5 37
Rice	24 07
Spices	11 72
Sugar	62 48
Soda	5 85
Starch	2 75
Salt	6 00
Soap	20 60
Sausage	21 65
Sundries merchandise	23 15
Tea	10 00
Toll	12 81
Traveling expenses, pupils	96 80
" " Regents	263 50
Vinegar	10 50
Vegetables	159 16
Wheat	244 40
Whitewashing	45 00
	$ 3,183 70

Salaries and Wages.

Officers and teachers	$ 4,545 00
Foremen of shops	622 00
Servants	881 95
	$ 6,048 95

Maryland Colored School.

Expenses two pupils, 1883–84	$ 400 00
	$ 400 00

SPECIAL EXPENSES.

Clothing Charged to Counties.

Buttons, thread, etc.	$ 16 29
Calico	37 33
Collars and neck-ties	6 45
Cotton, brown	16 39
" bleached	16 54
Crash	9 76
Combs	3 10
Checks, bed-spreads	71 83
Drilling	6 62
Flannel	50
Handkerchiefs	18 65
Hose and Socks	24 98
Hats and Gloves	5 00
Satinette	125 54
Suspenders	5 25
Shoes, girls'	51 25
Sundries	2 21
Suits, boys'	58 78
Skirting	4 20
Tooth brushes	8 75
	$489 42

Furniture.

School	$11 00
Table	9 60
	$20 60

Materials.—Repairs.

Hardware	$ 23 16
Lamps and lanterns	14 90
Lime	3 80
Plaster	4 50
Paints and oil	49 51
Repairs—water, steam, &c.	137 50
" pianos	33 00
Smithing	11 75
	$278 12

Shoe Shop.

Findings	$ 3 08
Upper Leather	76 07
	$73 15

Printing Office.

Paper	$22 50
	$22 50

Broom and Mattress Shop.

Broom corn	$47 47
Tufting	1 41
Twine	14 00
	$62 88
Grand Total	$10,579 32

Gas Fund.

1885.				
April	25,	To requisition	$500 00	
"	"	By draft on bank		$364 54
"	"	By draft on bank		35 46
August	29,	By draft on bank		5 00
September	1,	By draft on bank		40 00
"	"	By draft on bank		30 00
"	"	By draft on bank		10 53
"	5,	By draft on bank		11 04
"	24,	By draft on bank		3 43
			$ 500 00	$ 500 00

Insurance Fund.

1885.				
September	30,	To balance on hand	$38 10	

Traveling Expense Fund.

1885.				
April	25,	To requisition	$ 400 00	
May	25,	By draft on bank		289 75
May	30,	By draft on bank		34 55
June	6,	By draft on bank		75 70
August	1,	To requisition	300 00	
August	22,	By draft on bank		300 00
			$ 700 00	$ 700 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

1885.		RECEIPTS	
April	1,	To balance on hand	$ 326 96
1885.			
September	30,	To cash of shoe shop	2 25
		cabinet shop	5 00
		mattress and broom shop	10 50
		printing office	18 50
		hay scales	50
		individuals	70 99
		sundries	17 35
		counties	1,038 17
			$ 1,490 22
1885.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
September	30,	By cash paid vouchers	$ 1,180 99
		By balance on hand	309 23
			$ 1,490 22

ITEMS OF ACCOUNT.

Advertising	$ 10 00
Books, school	19 90
Books, library	23 84
Butter	5 40
Brushes, Shoe, &c.	8 98

Baking powders,	3 00
Chickens	31 75
Clothing	50 85
Carpets and matting	95 38
Chamber Furniture	27 50
Clocks' repairs	2 00
Coffee pot and table furniture	10 15
Curtains	3 75
Conversation tubes	13 50
Drugs and medicines	19 08
Fruits	27 42
Fish, fresh and salt	12 00
Flowers and plants	10 75
Freight and express	52 91
Gas fixtures	6 85
Grass seed	4 25
Garden plants	21 38
Honey	1 47
Hardware	26 65
Hay harvest	4 50
Lime and whitewashing	15 10
Labor, house cleaniug	15 75
Lumber	36 04
Music	10 40
Paints and wall paper	35 92
Piano	315 00
Sundries	16 40
Subscription Wheeling papers	12 00
Sewing shades, mattresses, &c	13 40
Traveling expenses, pupils	204 32
Vinegar and velocipede	13 50
	$ 1,180 99

RECAPITULATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

RECEIPTS.

Current expense fund	$ 25,022 77
Traveling, pupils' fund	700 00
Gas fund	500 00
Insurance fund	38 10
Cash of sundries' fund	2,547 25
	$ 28,808 12

DISBURSEMENTS.

Current expense fund	$ 24,956 35
Traveling, pupils' fund	700 00
Gas fund	500 00
Cash of sundries' fund	2,238 02
	$ 28,394 37

Balance on Hand.

Current expense fund	$ 66 42
Iusurance fund	38 10
Cash of sundries' fund	309 23
	$ 413 75

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

October 1, 1885.

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Current Expense Fund.

RECEIPTS

1885.		
October	1, To balance	$ 2,066 42
October	15, To requisition	3,100 00
December	1, To requisition	3,000 00
1886		
January	27, To requisition.	3,000 00
February	13, To requisition	3,000 00
March	13. To requisition.	2,000 00
		$ 16,166 42

DISBURSEMENTS.

1886.		
March	31, By drafts on bank to date	16,071 78
March	31, By discounts on note	51 45
March	31, By balance in bank	43 19
		$ 16,166 42

ITEMS OF ORDINARY CURRENT EXPENSES, FOR THE SIX MONTHS' ENDING MARCH 31, 1886.

Groceries, Provisions, &c.

American Annals	51 20
Bacon	581 45
Butter	338 03
Buckwheat Flour	5 55
Butcher's Meat	1,504 77
Confectionery and nuts	18 16
Canned Tomatoes	26 00
Coffee	94 57
Corn	10 87
Cheese	8 22
Eggs	26 21
Fruits, apples, &c	174 09
Fuel	1,077 67
Fish	6 25
Freights and express	16 95
Hominy	9 65
Hops	5 51
Ice	90 30
Indigo	1 45
Lard	41 86
Lights	267 39
Meal	2 88
Molasses and syrups	89 74
Medicines and drugs	23 18
Postage	10 07
Provender	78 93
Poultry	91 23
Pickles	3 75
Rice	45 73
Spices	7 12
Sugars	212 51
Straw	12 70
Soap	38 80
Sausage	34 16
Soda	12 69
Starch	7 18
Salt	6 15
Small items	6 00
Sundries, merchandise	28 04
Tea	37 90
Traveling expenses Regents	300 10
Traveling expenses pupils	6 00
Vegetables	255 43
Wheat	614 55
	$ 6,281 50

Salaries and Wages.

Officers and teachers,	$ 3,665 00
Foremen of shops	1,090 33
Servants, house, laundry, &c	1,554 99
	$ 6,310 32

Maryland Colored School.

Board and tuition, two pupils, 1884-5	$ 400 00
Discount on bank advances	66 56
	$ 466 56

SPECIAL EXPENSES.

Clothing Charged to Counties.

Buttons, needles and thread	$ 38 67
Crash	27 78
Collars and bows	31 73
Cotton, brown	34 10
Cotton, bleached	14 97
Cotton, knit	2 67
Combs	9 37
Corsets	12 65
Canvas	2 82
Drilling	4 96
Flannel	38 69
Gingham	12 61
Handkerchiefs	28 87
Hose and socks	32 97
Hats and gloves	83 29
Prints	34 54
Seersucker	9 90
Shoes, girls	134 81
Suits, boys	210 75
Satinette	188 84
Suspenders	12 66
Skirtings	8 95
Tooth brushes	10 38
Tailors' trimmings	73 15
Traveling bags	11 50
	$ 1,071 62

Furniture.

Blankets, Sheets, &c	$ 143 48
Kitchen utensils, repairs, &c	25 69
School books and musical instruments	188 17
Table linen, knives and forks	66 74
	$ 424 08

Material and Repairs.

SPECIAL, IN PART.

Blacking and brushes	$ 8 48
Blacksmithing	16 85
Dental services	11 00
Glass, window	5 49
Gas fixtures	15 10
Hardware	54 68
Harness and repairs	9 75
Indelible ink	1 50
Lumber, walnut	215 71
Lime	1 90
Manure	14 16
Paper, toilet	8 50
Paints	13 02
Plants	15 00
Seeds	45
Steam and water works and fittings	271 28
Skylight, chapel	97 00
	$ 775 98

Printing Office.

Ink	$ 4 50
Paper	45 00
	$ 49 50

Shoe Shop.

Findings	$ 46 16
Leather, sole	196 88
Upper Leather	233 43
	$ 476 47

Broom and Mattress Shop.

Broom corn	$ 129 75
Cane	2 65
Handles,	10 00
Moss,	33 92
Needles	5 66
Tufting	5 25
Ticking	28 27
Twine	16 36
	$231 86
Grand total	$$16,071 78

Insurance Fund.

1886. March	31, To balance in bank	38 10

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,

March 31, 1886. *Principal.*

CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1886.

RECEIPTS.

1885. October	1, To balance on hand	309 23
1886. March	31, To cash of shoe shop	37 43
	To cash of tailor shop	1 40
	To cash of mattress and broom shop	28 94
	To cash of cabinet shop	41 50
	To cash of printing office	8 35
	To cash of individuals	192 44
	To cash of counties	720 83
		$1,340 12

Disbursements.

1886. March	31, By cash paid as per vouchers	797 29
	Balance on hand	541 83
		$1,340 12

Items of Account.

Advertising and subscription	11 75
Apples and grapes	26 38
Butter	3 41
Books, school	34 71
Books, library	30 81
Ball potash	7 60
Beans	5 50
Barber's services, pupils	20 00
Corn and pickles	5 21
Chairs	6 00
Clothing	14 00
Crayons	12 00
Chop wood	10 00
Chickens	6 46
Carpet sweepers	6 00
Drugs and medicines	27 81
Door mats	3 00
Denistry	12 25
Dig trench	2 50
Expressage and freight	133 53
Eggs	3 72
Casoline	29 91
Hauling coal	19 50
Hardware	16 30
Lemons	50
Lumber	11 00
Lard	3 27
Moss and Cane	20 15
Nursing sick	2 00
Night work on Boilers	8 50
Oysters and fish	19 90
Postage	11 79
Painting	4 00
Repairs, piano	3 00
clocks and glasses	3 25
Roaster	2 30
Sweet potatoes	5 75
Shirts, making	6 00
Sundries	18 66
Traveling expenses, pupils	94 22
Telegrams	2 43
Vegetables	11 07
Violin trimmings	2 50
Washing	3 00
Wood	16 80
Window glass	7 45
	$ 797 29

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

March 31, 1886.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

OF THE

W. VA. INSTITUTE D. D. AND B.

FOR THE

SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

Current Expense Fund.

RECEIPTS.

1886.		
April	1, To balance	$ 43 19
April	5, To requisition	3,000 00
April	20, To requisition	2,000 00
May	25, To requisition	3,000 00
June	22, To requisition	1,500 00
August	2, To requisition	1,400 00
		$ 10,943 19

DISBURSEMENTS.

1886.		
September 30,	By draft on bank	$ 10,943 19
		$ 10,943 19

ITEMS OF ORDINARY CURRENT EXPENSES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

Groceries, Provisions, &c.

Advertising	$ 35 55
Bacon	92 75
Butter	247 82
Butcher's meat	860 99
Books and stationery	7 75
Check-book	9 25
Crackers	2 05
Coffee	72 67
Corn	6 30
Cheese	4 06
Eggs	60 25
Fruits, apples, &c	62 84
Fish	2 40
Fuel, coal and wood	146 52
Freight	45 70
Hominy	3 10
Indigo	1 40
Lard	4 28
Lights	79 09
Medals	34 50
Molasses syrup	28 84
Medicines, drugs	59 44
Provender	55 25
Poultry	5 81
Spices	5 45
Sugars	120 56
Soap	42 37
Sausage	1 30
Soda	2 20
Starch	2 00
Salt	4 85
Sundries, merchandise	19 72
Tea	18 24
Traveling expenses, regents	252 00
Vegetables	62 90
Wheat	306 00
	$ 2,735 65

Salaries and Wages.

Officers and teachers	$ 4,975 00
Foremen of shops	1,065 80
Servants, house, laundry, &c	976 31
	$ 7,017 11

SPECIAL EXPENSES.

Clothing Charged to Counties.

Buttons, needles, pins, thread	$ 41 37
Crash	5 15
Collars and bows	5 44
Cotton, brown	26 93
" bleached	6 85
Cotton, Knit	5 48
Combs	5 65

Corsets	12 00
Drilling	10 85
Gingham	6 56
Hickory Shirting	10 97
Handkerchiefs	9 75
Hose and Socks	22 20
Hats and Gloves	56 60
Linen	2 12
Lawn	15 25
Prints	31 29
Shoes, girls'	55 90
Suits, boys'	0 00
Satinette	4 69
Suspenders	3 50
Skirting	4 28
Tooth brushes	4 65
Tailor's trimmings	34 57
Tape	1 85
	$ 383 90

Furniture.

Chamber	12 00
Kitchen	10 18
School	32 28
Table	6 75
	$ 61 21

Materials.—Repairs.

Brushes	25
Bricks	36 00
Blacksmithing	30 04
Cement	13 50
Glass, window	8 53
Hardware	32 45
Indel. ink	1 80
Lamps and shades	9 00
Ladder	11 90
Lumber	77 46
Lime	3 00
Nails	9 75
Paper hanging and painting	35 22
Paper W. C.	5 10
Paints	18 41
Plants	20 07
Repairs, roof	64 00
Seeds	5 38
Steam &c., fitings	38 08
Pools, garden	9 98
Water C. fittings	15 35
Whitewashing	28 93
	$474 20

Printing Office.

Paper	$22 50
	$22 50

Shoe Shop.

Upper leather	$114 32
	$114 32

Broom and Mattress Shops.

Broom corn	$ 79 19
Moss	25 53
Tufting	3 00
Ticking	26 58
	$134 30
Grand total	$10,943 19

Insurance Fund.

1885.		
September 30,	To balance on hand	$38 10

Traveling Expense Fund.

1885.			
May	25, To requisition	$ 400 00	
May	29, By draft on bank		29 55
June	7, By draft on bank		295 60
June	12, By draft on bank		65 00
August	17, To requisition	$ 300 00	
	20, By draft on bank		305 70
September 30,	By balance		4 15
		$ 700 00	$ 700 00

JOHN C. COVELL,
Principal.

Ocotber 1, 1886.

CASH ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

1886	RECEIPTS.	
March	31, To balance on hand	$ 542 83
September 30,	To cash of shoe shop	7 75
	tailor's shop	1 28
	mattress and broom shop	22 90
	cabinet shop	10 00
	printing office	3 50
	individuals	43 35
	counties	797 07
		$ 1,428 68
1886.	DISBURSEMENTS	
September 30,	By cash paid as per vouchers	$ 958 55
	By balance on hand	470 13
		$ 1,428 68

Items of Account.

Advertising and subscriptions	$ 15 00
Butter	3 15
Books	24 01
Brick masonry	6 00
Bed springs	15 00
Crayons	5 50
Clocks, repairs	3 25
Chamber furniture	8 50
Drays, &c	8 25
Dentistry	26 27

Freight and express	100 05
Fruits	25 26
Flour, roller	4 60
Gasoline	6 63
Geometrical blocks	16 00
Honey	6 75
Hops	38
Hardware	14 71
Hauling coal	9 00
Ice crusher	3 00
Lime	2 70
Labor, repairs	41 62
Magic lantern slides	10 75
Matting and carpets	64 24
Postage	18 74
Poultry	17 44
Painting, repairs	35 50
Photos	5 25
Paper, wall	19 70
Posts, fence	10 00
Repairs, harness	3 50
" range	3 43
Shoe, uppers	5 90
Shrubs	4 50
Sundries	11 10
Traveling expenses, pupils	330 00
Wood	11 62
Whitewashing	9 25
Wages	52 00
	$ 958 55

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,

October 1, 1886. *Principal.*

RECAPITULATION FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1886.

RECEIPTS.

Current expense fund	$27,066 42
Pupils' traveling expense fund	700 00
Insurance fund	38 10
Sundries cash fund	2,225 97
	$30,030 49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Current expense fund	$27,066 42
Pupils' traveling expense fund	695 85
Sundries cash fund	1,755 84
	$29,518 11

BALANCE ON HAND.

Pupils' traveling expense fund	4 15
Insurance fund	38 10
Sundries cash fund	470 13
	$512 38

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. COVELL,

October 1, 1886. *Principal.*

CATALOGUE

OF THE

Pupils in Attendance at the Institution Within the Two Years Embraced in the Foregoing Report.

DEAF MUTES.

MALES, 56.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Adkins. George	Elm Ford	Wayne.
Auldridge, A. W.	Huntersville	Pocahontas.
Bailey, C. A	Leading Creek	Lewis:
Baldwin, C. W	Moorefield	Hardy.
Bogges, Albert.	Clarksburg	Harrison.
Bowler, Mike	Martinsburg	Berkeley.
Breedlove, J. A	Charleston	Kanawha.
Brock, Adrian	Tate Creek	Braxton.
Campbell, J. C.	Pickaway	Monroe.
Callison, R. H.	Ravenswood	Jackson.
Clegg, S. H.	Rockport	Wood.
Courtnay, Wm	Wirt C. H.	Wirt.
Davis, R. W.	Jordan	Kanawha.
Davis, Wm	Johnstown	Harrison.
Druce, C. C	Beech	Calhoun.
Faulkner, Pat	Weston	Lewis.
Faulkner, Tim.	Weston	Lewis.
Fox, Wm. T	New Richmond	Summers.
Harman, C. M	Poca	Putnam.
Huggins, Harman	Wellsburg	Brooke.
Jensen, Jens	Wheeling	Ohio.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Kaylor, Hollen	Forks of Capon	Hampshire.
Kaylor Philip	Forks of Capon	Hampshire.
Keesear, Ed	Milton	Cabell.
Knight, Sherman	Ritchie C. H.	Ritchie.
Linville, W. A.	Brown's Mills	Harrison.
Lynch, J. C.	Pickaway	Monroe.
Mackey, Harry	Parkersburg	Wood.
Maynor, Peyton.	Clear Creek	Raleigh.
McIntire, Chas	Eldora	Marion.
Morris, Wm. S	Barton	Wetzel.
Piles, Joseph.	Huntersville	Pocahontas.
Relihan, Mauria	Meadow Bluff	Greenbrier.
Relihan, Mike.	Meadow Bluff	Greenbrier.
Rollins, Dan	Central Station	Doddridge.
Roberts, J. G.	Spring Hill	Kanawha.
Rock, R. E	Charleston	Kanawha
Rogers, G. R.	Sandyville	Jackson.
Schlegel, B.	Parkersburg	Wood.
Shook, E. K.	Beansville	Tyler.
Slonnaker, Wm	Wardensville	Hardy.
Stalnaker, J. A	Huttonsville	Randolph.
Stuck, Earnest.	Newburg	Preston.
Stateman, Wm.	Martinsburg	Berkeley.
Stateman, Geo.	Martinsburg	Berkeley.
Stewart, C. B	Overfield	Barbour.
Shakespere, Geo.	Weston	Lewis
Ward, George A	Huntington	Cabell.
Ward, Wm	Wheeling	Ohio.
Waters, George A	Rosedale	Penna.
Wayman, Wm.	Glen Easton	Marshall.
White, Monroe	Junction.	Hampshire.
Witherow, James	Raymond City.	Putnam.
Witherow, Sam	Raymond City.	Putnam.
Wriston, Val.	Clear Creek	Raleigh.
Woofter, Emory	Alum Bridge	Lewis.

DEAF MUTES.

FEMALES, 38.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Auldridge, Iv	Huntersville	Pocahontas.
Barns, Laura	Fairmont	Marion.
Bowland, M. J.	Ravenswood	Jackson.
Brake, May	Troy	Gilmer.
Breedlove, E.	Charleston	Kanawha.
Burke, Nora	Grafton	Taylor.
Buzzard, V. E.	Edray	Pocahontas.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Bush, C. E.	Glenville	Gilmer.
Carothers, G	New Martinsville	Wetzel.
Douglas, Phillis	Fairmont	Marion.
Doutt, M.	Salem	Doddridge.
Davis, Gracie	Jordan	Kanawha.
Devault, L. J.	White Day	Monongalia.
Ferguson, S.	Huntington	Cabell.
Fox, M. C	New Richmond	Summers.
Golden, Maud	Craigmoor	Harrison.
Hall, M. M	Farmington	Marion.
Linville, Cora	Brown's Mills	Harrison.
Lough, Hannah	Deer Run	Pendleton.
Madison, L. J.	Mill Point	Pocahontas.
McAdams, Lucy	Wheeling	Ohio.
McClung, Piney	Coggins	Greenbrier.
Metz, Mo. A.	St. Mary's	Pleasants.
Montgomery, A. B.	Wheeling	Ohio.
May, Laura	Tooley	Wayne.
Parish, M. A.	Ellenboro.	Ritchie.
Robey, F. L.	Shinnston	Harrison.
Rayhill, Sus	Hurricane	Putnam.
Rogers, V. M	Sandyville	Jackson.
Schindel, A. V.	Beaver Mills	Nicholas.
Smith, S. F	Puryettsville	Hampshire.
Vass, M. L.	Lowell	Summers.
Vass, M. M	Lowell	Summers.
Watts, L. A.	Charleston	Kanawha.
Walton, L. L	Falling Spring	Greenbrier.
Wayman, B.	Glen Easton	Marshall.
Wisner, Em.	Wheeling	Ohio.
Witschey, Mag	New Martinsville	Wetzel.

BLIND PUPILS.

MALES, 26.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Bowen, Pinkney	Green Bottom	Cabell.
Branch, E	Bartrom.	Cabell.
Humphrey, M	Petersburg	Grant.
Clemons, J.	Rock Castle	Mason.
Duvall, R. W	Wheeling	Ohio.
Eckhardt, Z.	Wheeling	Ohio.
Eplin, Miles.	Peytona.	Boone.
Fetty, Eddie.	Ellenboro	Ritchie.
Garten, Wm. T.	Hinton	Summers.
Goode, Wm	Morgantown	Monongalia.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Haines, Aus.	Wadestown	Monongalia.
Hayhurst, C.	Grantsville	Calhoun.
Keenan, P.	Wheeling	Ohio.
Kester, J. D.	Salem	Harrison.
Kirby, E. M.	Milton	Cabell.
Lane, Harry	Winfield	Putnam.
Lyons, H. J.	Guyandotte	Cabell.
Lucas, Parker	Bowen's	Wayne.
McGee, R	Wheeling	Ohio.
Newberry, F.	Independence	Preston.
Pinkers, J.	Wheeling	Ohio.
Poling, T. J.	Philippi	Barbour.
Rankin, M. L	Ravenswood	Jackson.
Snodgrass, I. P	Philippi	Barbour.
Wells, W E.	Basnett	Marion.
Wickline, S. P.	Sweet Springs	Monroe.

BLIND PUPILS.

FEMALES, 16.

NAME.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.
Allen, F. L	Deer Lick	Mason
Bowden, M. C	Alderson	Summers.
Cole, R. V.	Raleigh C. H.	Raleigh.
Fetty, Flora	Ellenboro	Ritchie.
Harrison, L	Fort Gay	Wayne.
Haines, Eliza	Wadestown	Monongalia.
Howard, M. J	Proctor	Wetzel.
Herron, M. A	Huttonsville	Randolph.
Hurd, E. J.	Smith's Gap	Hampshire.
Hutton, M.	Petersburg	Grant.
Kauff, L. D	Clifton	Mason.
Lucas, Nettie	Tomahawk	Berkeley.
Motts, Gertrude	Mason City	Mason.
Meanor, Ella	St. Mary's	Pleasants.
Whetherholt, M. E.	Ravenswood	Jackson.
Yerkey, A. E	Flint	Doddridge.

TOTAL, 136.

TERMS OF ADMISSION OF PUPILS.

I. All Deaf Mutes and Blind persons in the State, of sound mind and body, between the ages of eight and twenty-five years, are entitled to admission free of charge.

II. Such as are unable to defray their own traveling expenses will receive assistance from the Institution on application to the Principal. By law clothing may be furnished by the Institution to pupils not otherwise provided, in an amount not exceeding $40.00 per annum, and charged to their respective counties.

III. The session of the schools commences on the first Monday of September in each year, and continues for the space of forty weeks.

IV. The regular term of pupilage is five years and the Principal may, with the consent of the Board, select for an additional term of three years such as would be especially benefited thereby.

V. All Deaf Mute applicants should give full and explicit answers to the following questions:

1. Give the name of applicant in full.

2. Where was the applicant born?

3. Was the applicant born deaf? If not at what age did applicant lose hearing and how?

4. What is the degree of deafness?

5. Can applicant hear the human voice at all?

6. To what extent has instruction been given?

7. Can applicant speak at all?

8. Can applicant hear well enough to be benefited by common school instruction?

9. Has applicant any bodily infirmity, or deformity, or mental defect?

10. Are any of the applicant's relatives deaf or dumb, and if so, the cause thereof, and state relationship?

11. What are the names, occupation and postoffice of parents or guardian?

12. Was there any relationship between parents before marriage? What?

13. Has the applicant ever had any contagious disease? If so what and when?

Has the applicant been vaccinated?

VI. If the applicant is Blind, give the answers to all the following questions, excepting Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, for which the following are substituted, namely:

3. Was the applicant born blind? If not at what age did he or she lose sight and how?

4. What is the degree of blindness?

5. Is it total? Can applicant distinguish luminous objects?

6. Can applicant see large objects?

7. Can applicant see common print?

8. Can applicant be taught in the common schools for sighted children?

VII. Blank forms of application embracing all the foregoing questions will be furnished by the Principal.

VIII. Pupils from other states can be admitted for $300.00 a year, in advance.

IX. It is impossible to furnish board, lodging, etc., to persons visiting or briging pupils to the Institution.

Two trains daily to and from Green Spring Run, B. & O. R. R.

All applications and letters concerning Institution matters should be adressed to the Principal. All letters for pupils should be sent to "his care." Persons sending packages to the pupils should always prepay charges, and add as part of the direction, "in care of the Agent at Green Spring Run."

J. C. COVELL,

Principal.